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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yasuaki KUWATA

Group Art Unit: 2828

Application No.: 10/691,503

Examiner: P. NGUYEN

Filed: October 24, 2003

Docket No.: 117604

For: SURFACE EMITTING SEMICONDUCTOR LASER AND COMMUNICATION  
SYSTEM USING THE SAME

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the December 27, 2005 Election of Species Requirement, Applicant  
provisionally elects Species I, Figures 1-2 and 4-6. Claims 1-7 and 14 read on the elected  
species.

Thus, withdrawal of the Election of Species Requirement is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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